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Vice Admiral Vincent P. de Poix, USN
Director
Defense Intelligence Agency

Dear Vince:

After the long USIB on 20 December, I had to have a working lunch with two gentlemen from the Treasury, a lunch already rescheduled twice and, hence, most awkward to change yet a third time. As a result, I was regrettably unable to make the DIA Christmas party before it had virtually ended.

I appreciated your invitation and wanted to attend to share a seasonal libation with my valued DIA friends and colleagues. I also wanted to say over the wassail bowl how much I appreciate the support and assistance I have received -- in two bureaucratic incarnations -- from you and your associates over the past year. Our detailed approaches to certain issues may differ as a function of our respective institutional environments, but our problems are common ones and our objectives identical. The efficient and effective help I invariably received from DIA was invaluable in discharging my former responsibilities and will be essential in the execution of my new duties.

To you, then, to [redacted] and all of your associates who have done so much for me, the Intelligence Community and, above all, the nation we are all dedicated to serve, my great thanks and heartiest best wishes for a splendid Christmas and a successful New Year.

Sincerely yours,

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George A. Carver, Jr.
Deputy for National Intelligence Officers

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